



HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY

A Public Comment Period will be held on the first Monday of the regular City Council meeting schedule. It will begin approximately at ~~5:15 p.m.~~ **6:00 p.m.** and conclude when all speakers have spoken or at ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **6:15 p.m.** Persons may speak at this time on any topic that is not listed as a public hearing item on the agenda.

- Persons who have signed the register to speak shall be taken in the order in which they are listed. Others who wish to speak and have not signed in will be taken after those who have registered.
- Persons addressing City Council are asked to limit their comments to 3 minutes.
- Citizens will be asked to come to the lectern, state their name and address and the subject(s) on which they will comment.
- If a large number of people are present to register concerns about the same subject, it is suggested that they might be acknowledged as a unified group while a designated speaker covers the various points. This helps to avoid repetition while giving an opportunity for people present with the same concerns to be recognized.
- In the event there are more people who wish to speak than can be accommodated in the ~~45~~ **15** minutes set aside for the comment period, City Council may extend the period, delay it until the rest of the agenda has been completed, or continue it to the next regular council meeting.

This policy to be effective ~~upon adoption~~ **on January 1, 2014.**

Adopted this 5th day of January, 2009; **Revised December 5, 2013.**